

REMARKS/ARGUMENT

Claims 11, 12, 13 and 14 are amended.

The Office Action indicates that the drawings filed on June 8, 2001 are disapproved as introducing new matter. In a previous communication dated June 7, 2002, Applicant respectfully withdrew this drawing and intended to submit a new Fig. 1. However, it appears as though the Fig. 1 was not enclosed. Therefore, enclosed please find a new submission of Fig. 1 with changes indicated in red. Support for these changes can be found in, for example, the specification at page 7, lines 8-10; page 8, lines 10-14; and page 9, lines 7-10. Entry of this new figure is respectfully requested.

Claims 4 and 11-15 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as being obvious in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,663,685 to ("Kesner"). Independent claims 11, 12, 13 and 14 are all amended to clearly indicate that the claimed power supply signal is independent of the claimed charged pump. In a telephonic interview with the Examiner on August 13, 2002, the Examiner indicated that such a limitation is not shown by the Kesner reference. Furthermore, as shown clearly in, for example, Fig. 3 of Kesner, bias generator 29 is clearly dependent upon input signals from phase detector 1 and therefore cannot be said to be "independent" of phase detector 1.

Therefore, it is asserted that independent claims 11, 12, 13 and 14 are patentable over the art of record. Claims 4 and 15 include the above referenced limitations of claims 12 and 14 respectfully and include further limitations which, in combination with the limitations of independent claims 12 and 14, are also neither disclosed nor suggested in Kesner. It is asserted that these claims are patentable as well. Reconsideration of the rejection of claims 4 and 11-15 under 35 U.S.C. § 103 is respectfully requested in light the remarks above.

It is asserted that the present amendment places the application in condition for allowance or in better form for appeal. Entry is respectfully requested.

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